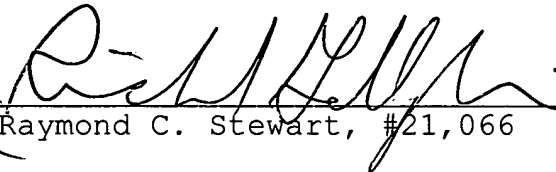


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On page 3 of the Office Action of October 4, 2004, the Examiner requested copies of the foreign patent documents that were cited in the IDS that was filed in the present application on October 20, 2003. A copy of each of those documents is submitted herewith.

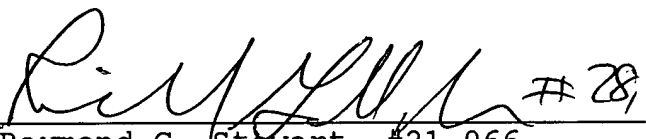
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